

program, EIA collects, evaluates, assembles, analyzes, and disseminates data and information related to energy resource reserves, production, demand, and technology, and related economic and statistical information relevant to the adequacy of energy resources to meet demands in the near and longer term future for the Nation's economic and social needs.

The Energy Information Administration, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden (required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13)), conducts a presurvey consultation program to provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing reporting forms. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden is minimized, reporting forms are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed.

The information requirements in FE-746R contain an application for authorization to export or import natural gas and for information to be filed as part of an import/export proceeding. Applications to export and import natural gas are required by statute and provide the decision-maker with the basic factual information about the scope and nature of a proposed export or import. The application and the information obtained during the course of a proceeding form the record upon which a decision will be based.

II. Current Actions

This notice is to solicit comments on the proposed extension to FE-746R. The extension request to the Office of Management and Budget will be through December 31, 1998. The regulation establishes the procedures that are to be followed by persons filing applications to obtain authorization to import or export natural gas.

III. Request for Comments

Prospective respondents and other interested parties should comment on the actions discussed in item II. The following guidelines are provided to assist in the preparation of responses.

General Issues

EIA is interested in receiving comments from persons regarding:

A. Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the

information will have practical utility. Practical utility is the actual usefulness of information to or for an agency, taking into account its accuracy, adequacy, reliability, timeliness, and the agency's ability to process the information it collects.

B. What enhancements can EIA make to the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

As a Potential Respondent

C. Are the instructions and definitions clear and sufficient? If not, which instructions require clarification?

D. Can data be submitted in accordance with the due date specified in the instructions?

E. Public reporting burden for the FE-746R is estimated to average 150 hours per respondent. Burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

Please comment on (1) the accuracy of our estimate, and (2) how the agency could minimize the burden of the collection of information, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

F. What is the estimated cost of providing this data, including the direct and indirect costs associated with the data collection? Direct costs should include all costs, such as administrative costs, directly attributable to providing this information.

G. Do you know of any other Federal, State, or local agency that collects similar data? If you do, specify the agency, the data element(s), and the methods of collection.

H. If you have the capability, what is your electronic reporting preference (FAX, Touch-Tone Telephone Data Entry, Internet, etc.)?

As a Potential User

I. Can you use data at the levels of detail indicated?

J. For what purpose would you use the data? Be specific.

K. Are there alternate sources of data and do you use them? If so, what are their deficiencies and/or strengths?

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. They also will become a matter of public record.

Statutory Authority: Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13).

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John Gross,

Acting Director, Office of Statistical Standards, Energy Information Administration.

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Office of Energy Research

Health and Environmental Research Advisory Committee Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is given of a meeting of the Health and Environmental Research Advisory Committee.

DATES: Tuesday, October 31, 1995, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and Wednesday, November 1, 1995, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Doubletree Hotel, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Benjamin Barnhart, Designated Federal Official, Health and Environmental Research Advisory Committee, U.S. Department of Energy, ER-70, GTN, Germantown, Maryland 20874, Telephone Number: 301-903-3213.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose of the Meeting:* To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director of Energy Research of the Department of Energy on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the health and environmental research program.

Tentative Agenda

Tuesday, October 31, 1995, and Wednesday, November 1, 1995

- Welcome Remarks
- Opening of Meeting
- Review and Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Remarks by the Director of the Office of Energy Research

- Office of Health and Environmental Research Program Overview: Scope, Issues, Budget
- Review of Office of Health and Environmental Research Programs
- Review of Subcommittee Reports
- New Business
- Public Comment (10-minute rule)

Public Participation: The two-day meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Benjamin Barnhart at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral statements must be received 5 days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include the statement in the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Transcripts: The transcript of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, D.C., between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Issued in Washington, D.C. on October 6, 1995.

Rachel Murphy Samuel,
Acting Deputy Advisory Committee
Management Officer.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP95-595-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Brazos River Crossing Project

October 6, 1995.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern) in the above-referenced docket. The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act.

Texas Eastern's proposal would move the existing Brazos River crossing to the north, and would require entirely new right-of-way. The staff recommends that

Texas Eastern use the original river crossing location for the project, as part of its Alternate Route 2, as shown in figure 2 of the EA. The staff concludes that approval of the modified project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction of the following facilities:

- about 1.56 miles of new 24-inch-diameter mainline between mileposts (MP) 52.25 and 53.81 of Texas Eastern's existing Line No. 11, including a new crossing of the Brazos River by directional drill, in Austin and Waller Counties, Texas; and
- abandonment by removal of about 166 feet of 24-inch-diameter Line No. 11, and 128 feet of an auxiliary 16-inch-diameter pipeline at the existing crossing of the Brazos River in Austin and Waller Counties, Texas.

It also examines one route variation and two alternate routes to use the existing right-of-way, and avoid impacts to wetlands and pecan trees.

The purpose of the proposed facilities would be to replace the existing Brazos River crossing because the two existing pipelines have been exposed by erosion in the river channel. River scour has also eroded the bank to within 150 feet of the existing pipeline.

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC and is available for public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 941 North Capitol Street, N.E., Room 3104, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208-1371.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to Federal, state and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, newspapers, and parties to this proceeding.

A limited number of copies of the EA are available from: Mr. Jeff Gerber, Environmental Project Manager, Environmental Review and Compliance Branch II, Office of Pipeline Regulation, Room 7312, 825 North Capitol Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208-1121.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Written comments must reference Docket No. CP95-595-000, and be addressed to: Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

Comments should be filed as soon as possible, but must be received no later than November 6, 1995, to ensure consideration prior to a Commission decision on this proposal. A copy of any

comments should also be sent to Mr. Jeff Gerber, Environmental Project Manager, Room 7312, at the above address.

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).

The date for filing timely motions to intervene in this proceeding has passed. Therefore, parties now seeking to file late interventions must show good cause, as required by section 385.214(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention. You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Additional information about this project is available from Mr. Jeff Gerber, Environmental Project Manager, (202) 208-1121.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Project No. 2550-002]

N.E.W. Hydro, Inc., Weyauwega Hydroelectric; Notice of Site Visit

October 6, 1995.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has received an application for new minor license of the Weyauwega Hydroelectric Project, FERC No. P-2550-002. The project is located on the south shore of Waupaca River in the City of Weyauwega, Wisconsin.

The FERC staff intends to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) on the hydroelectric project in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

As part of the EA preparation process, FERC staff will conduct a site visit of the project on October 24, 1995. The site visit will provide an opportunity for interested parties to observe environmental conditions at the project area.

If you would like to attend the site visit, we will meet at 1:30 p.m. on October 24, 1995. The Weyauwega Hydro Project directions to the meeting location are as follows:

The dam is located on highway 110. From Appleton, WI, take highway 10 west to highway 110. Follow highway 110 north through the City of Weyauwega and the dam is located on the south shore of the Waupaca River.

We will conclude the site visit at the Hydroelectric Project location. Please be